

Using Scientific Visualization to Represent Soil Hydrology Dynamics

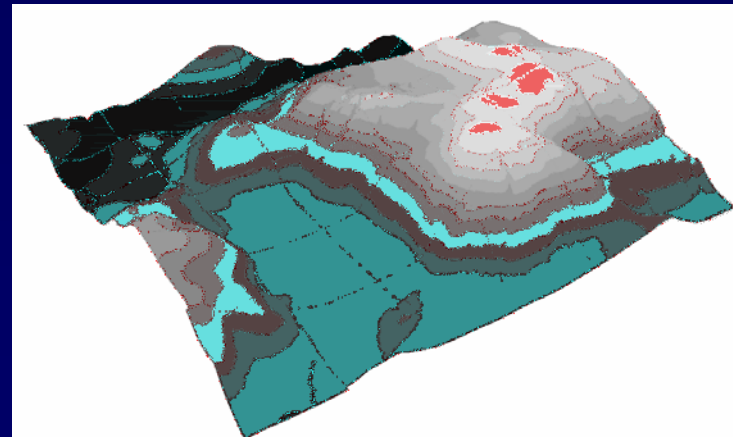
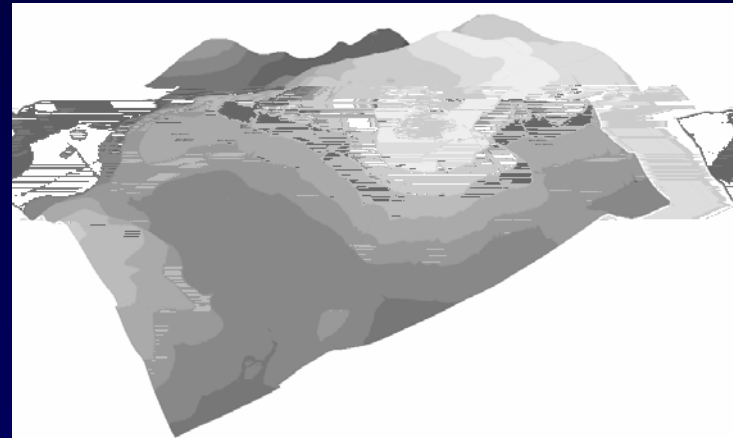
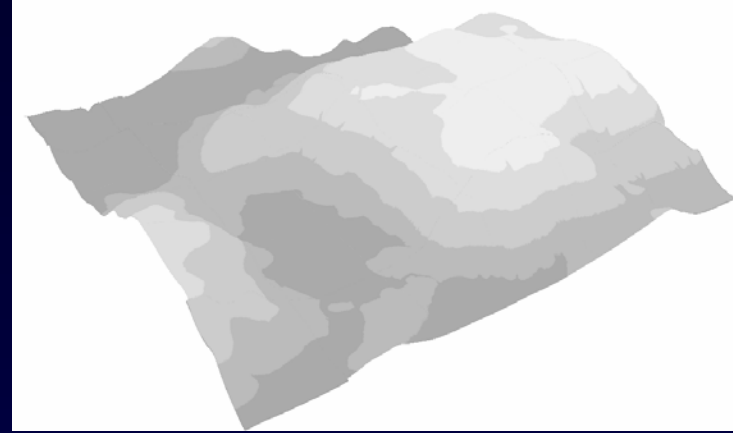
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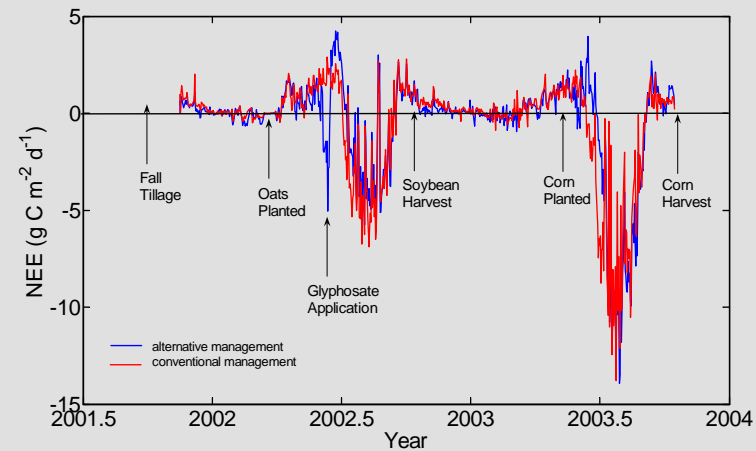
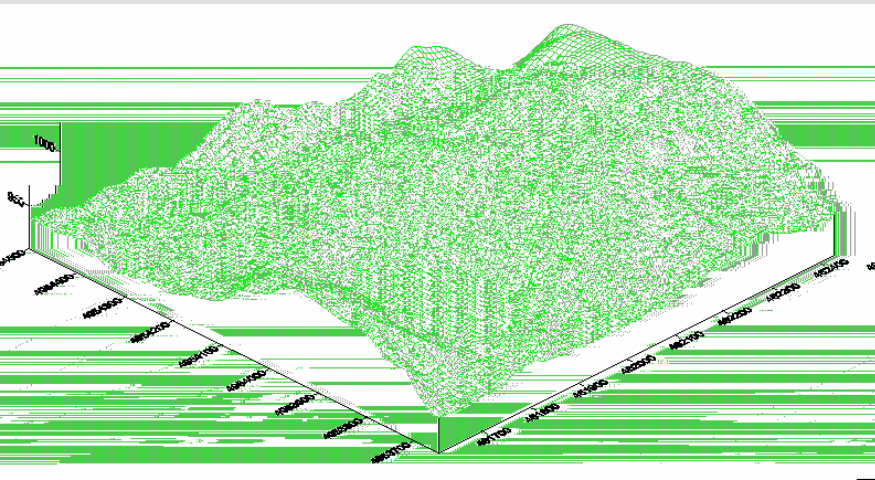
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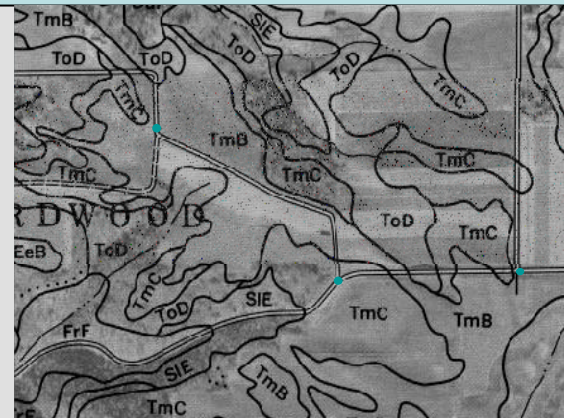
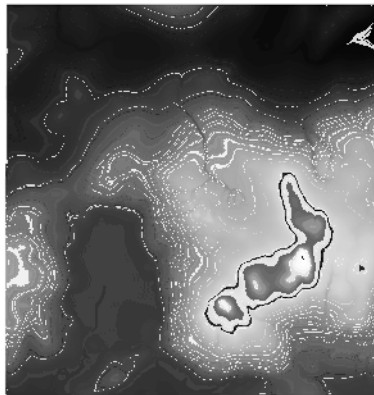
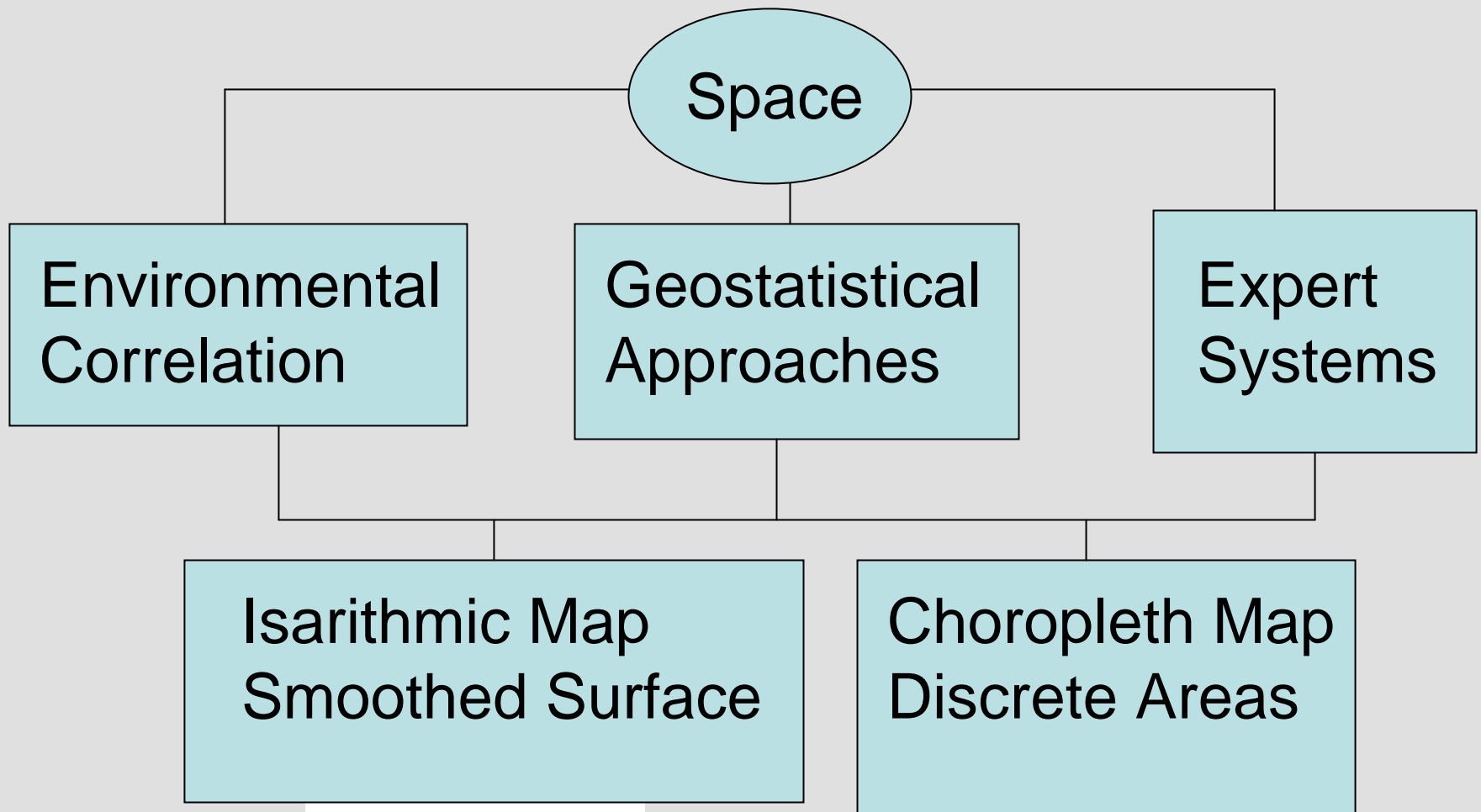
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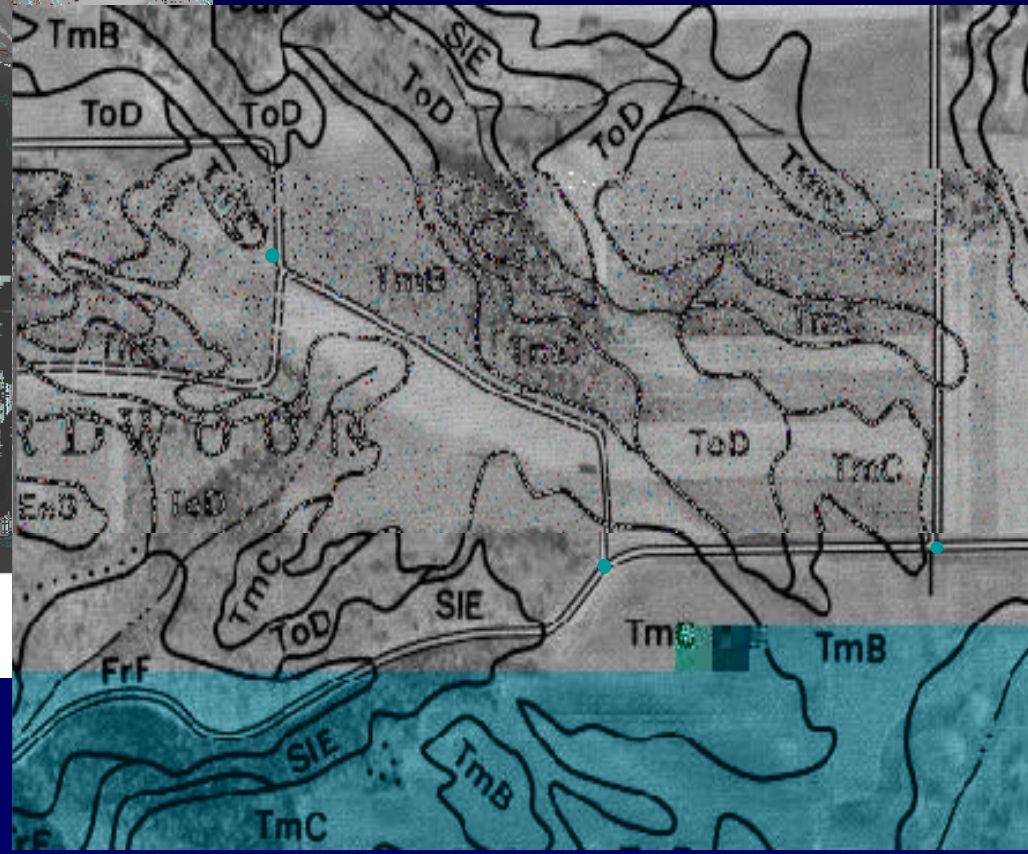
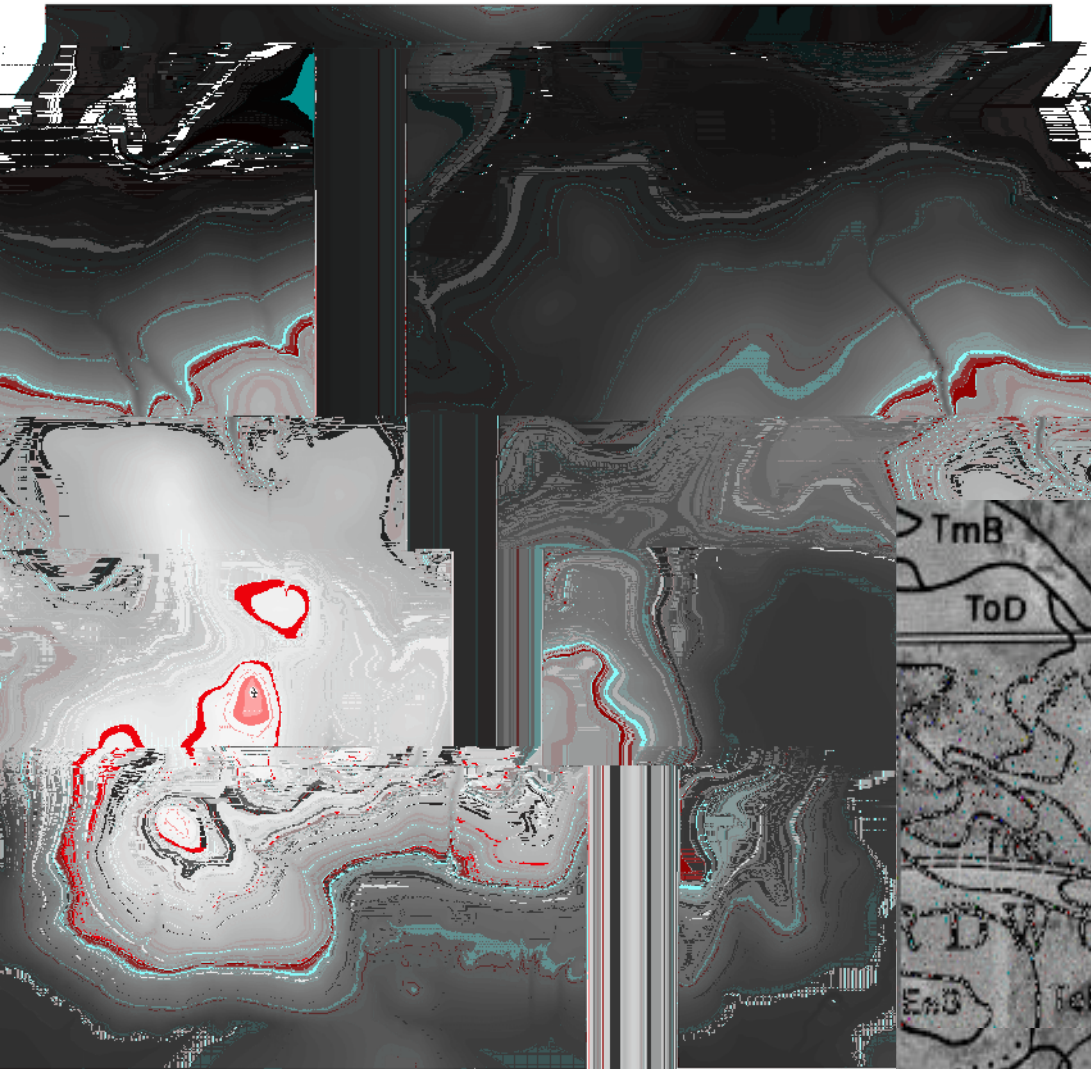


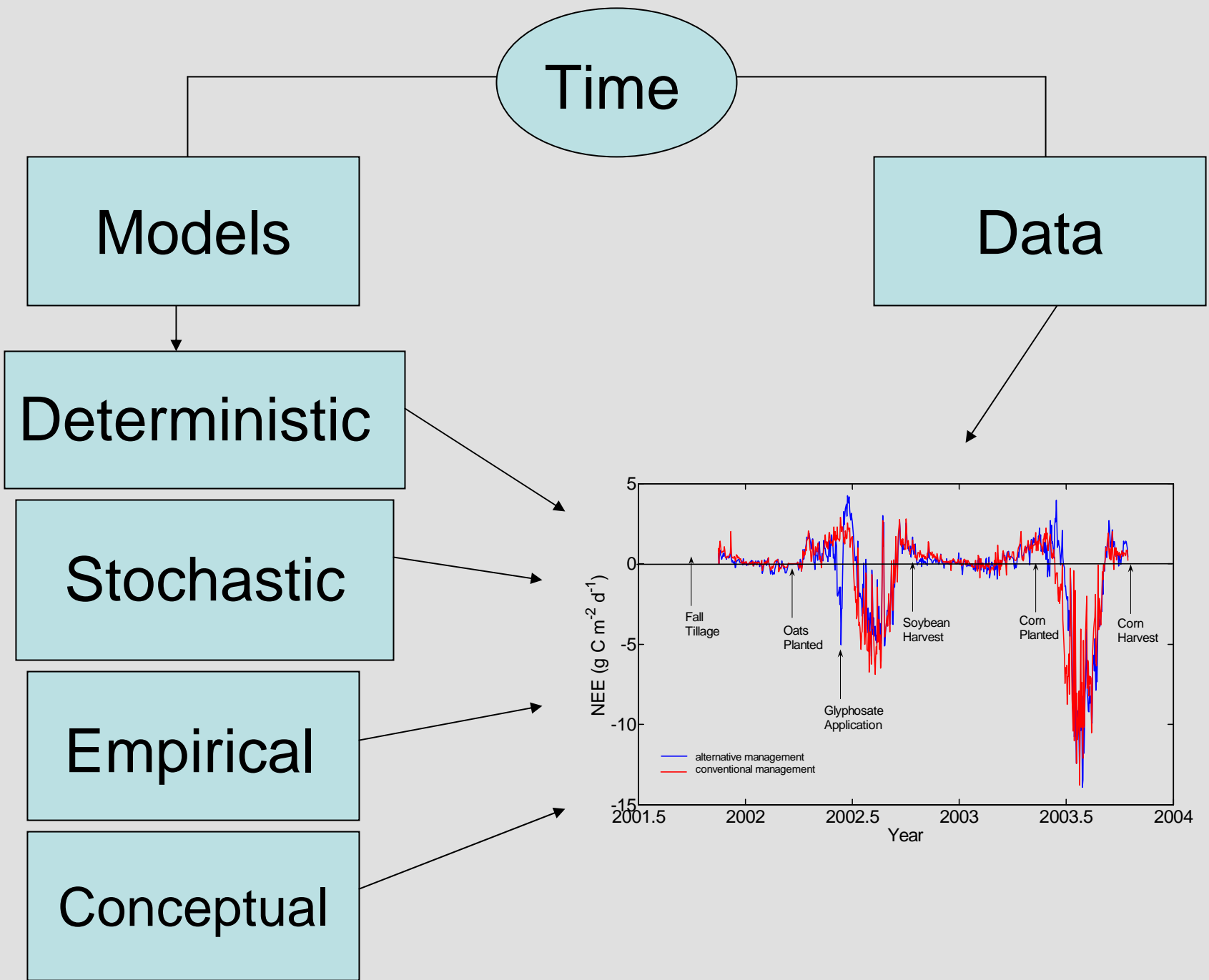




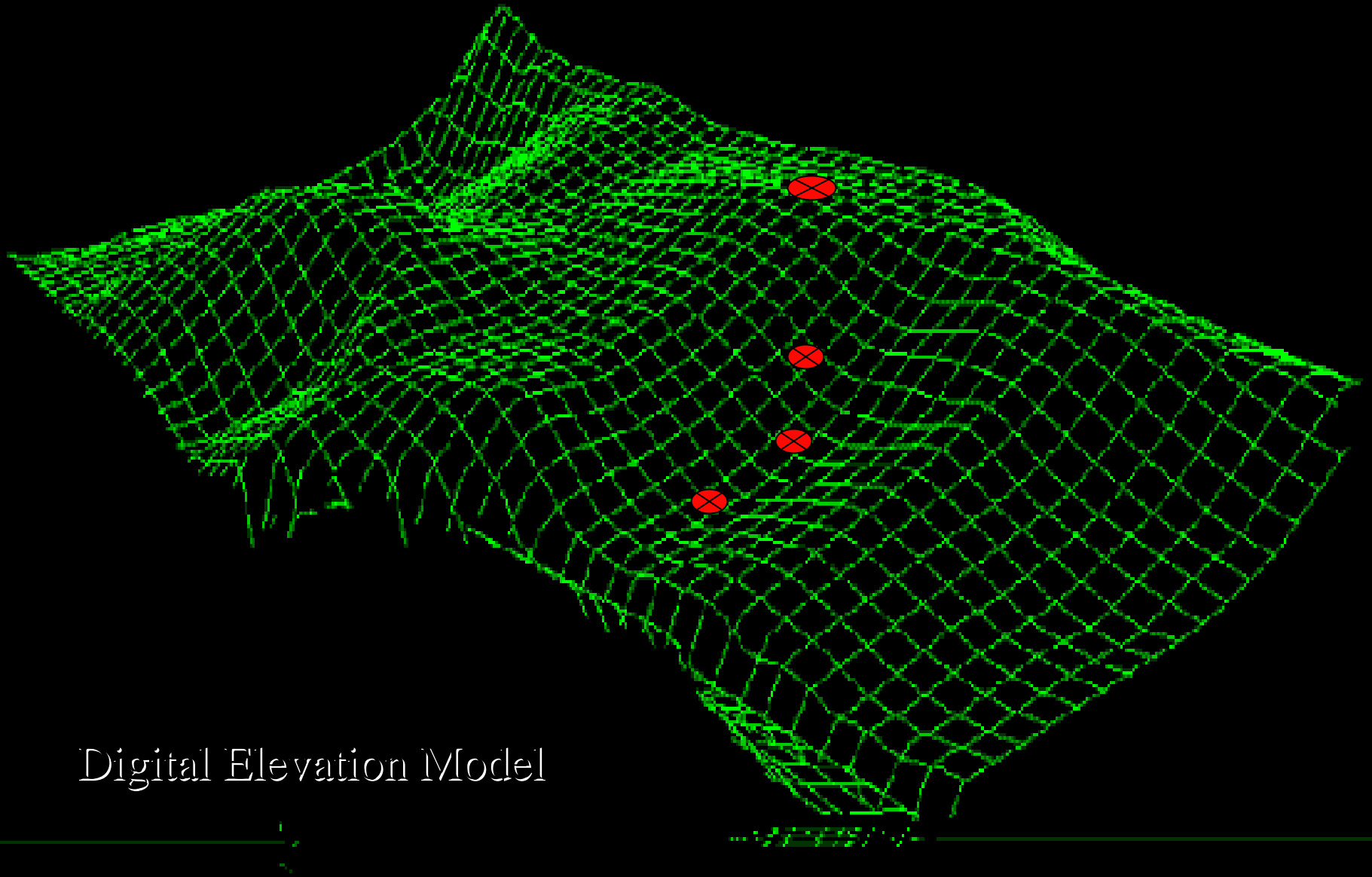
Spatially Explicit

Temporally Static



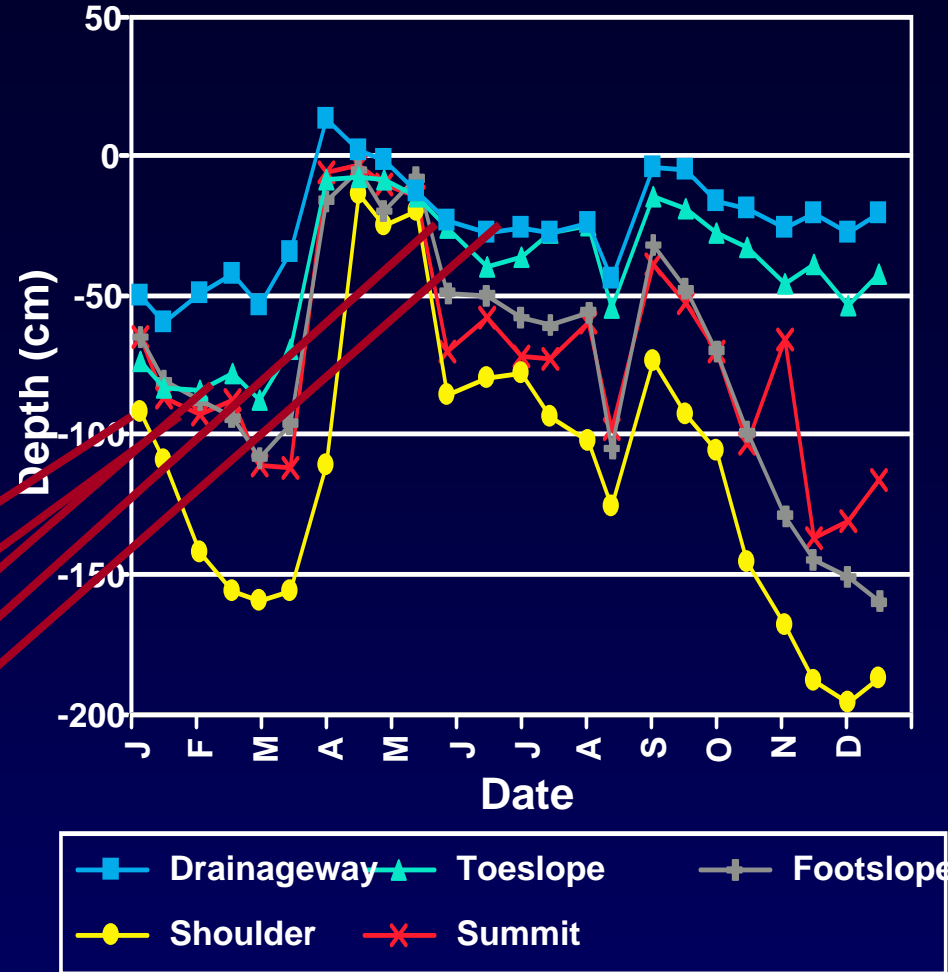
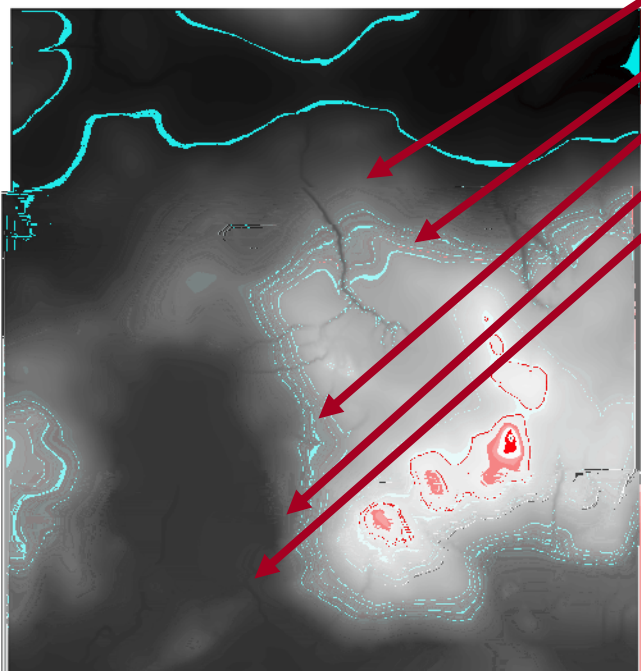


Waseca, Minnesota

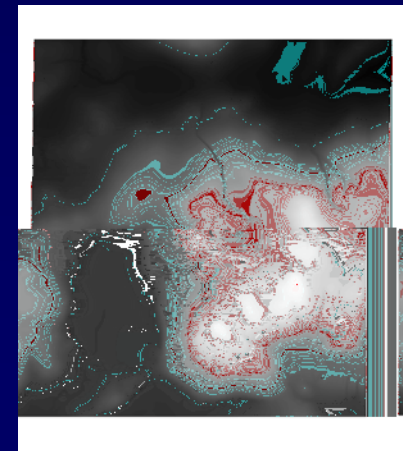
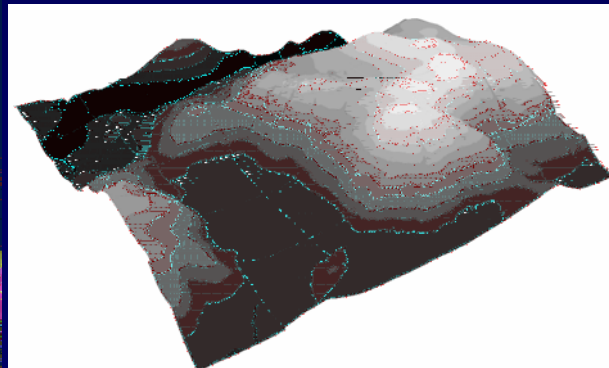
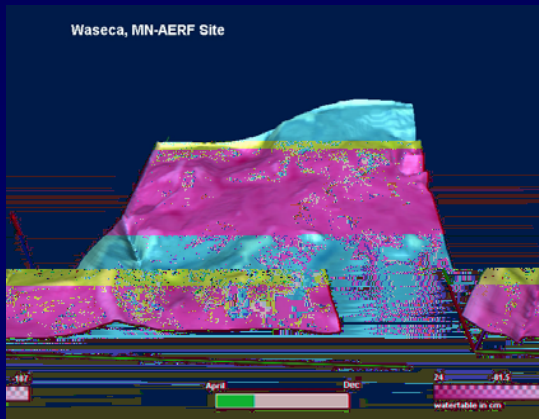
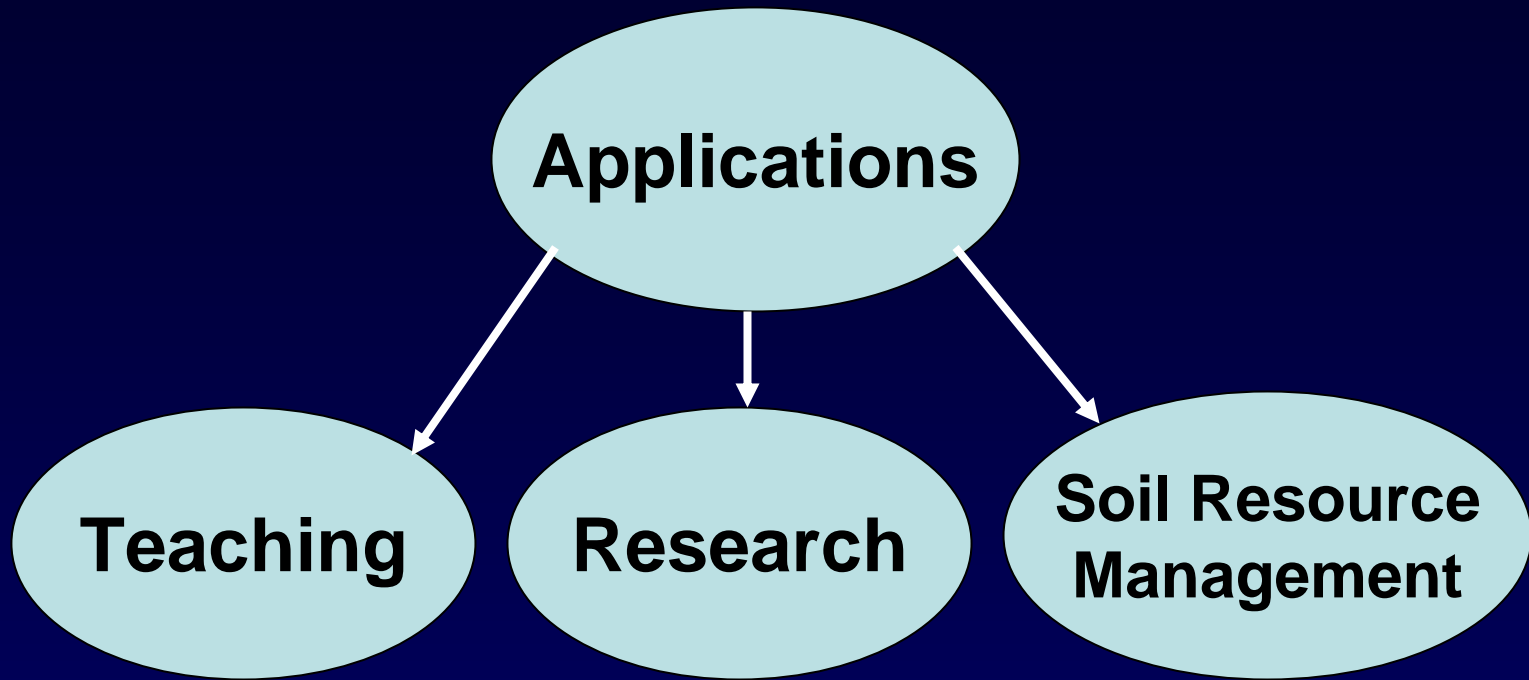


Digital Elevation Model

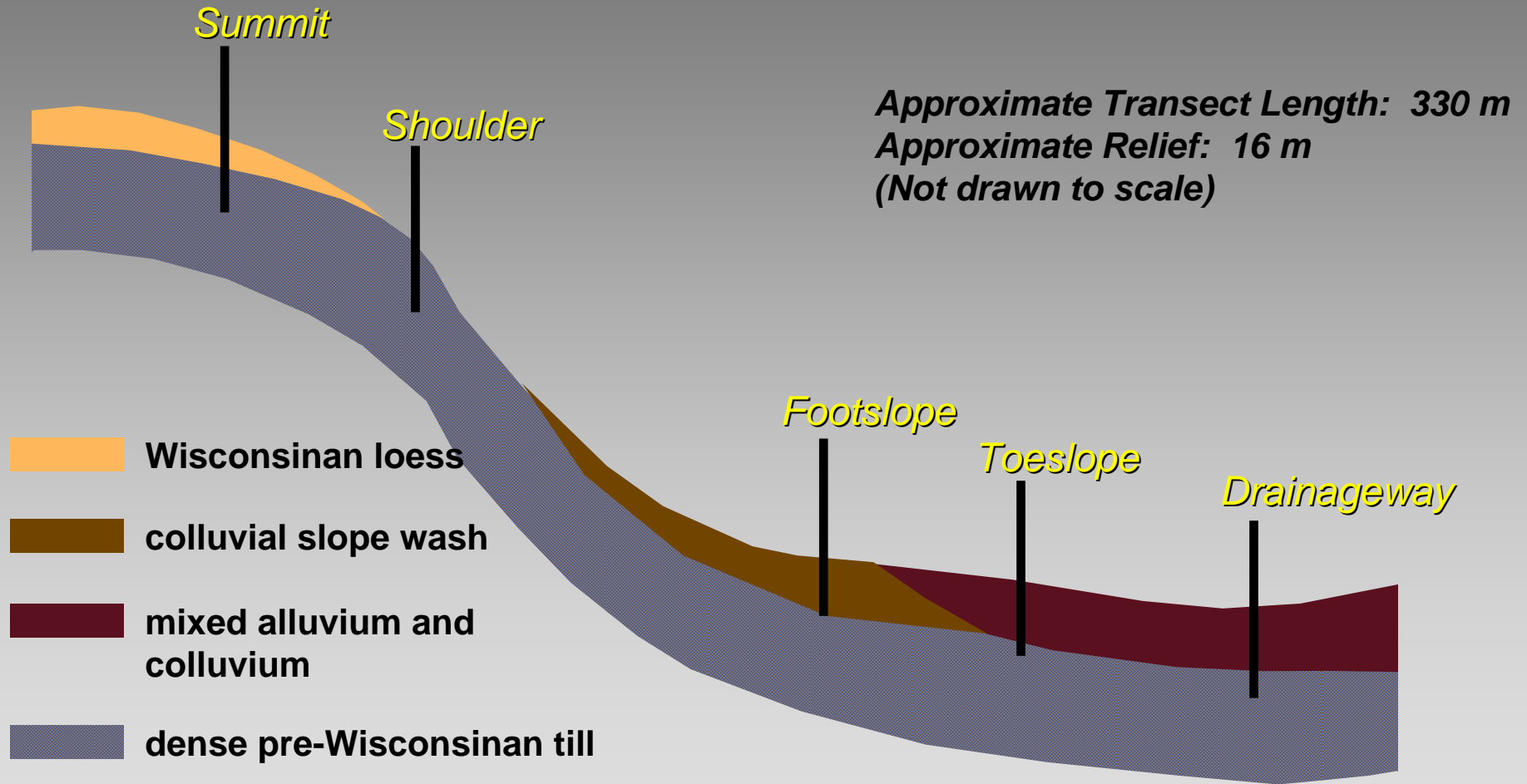
Time + Space



Scientific Visualization Animations



Hillslope Transect



Toposequence

Summit



Shoulder



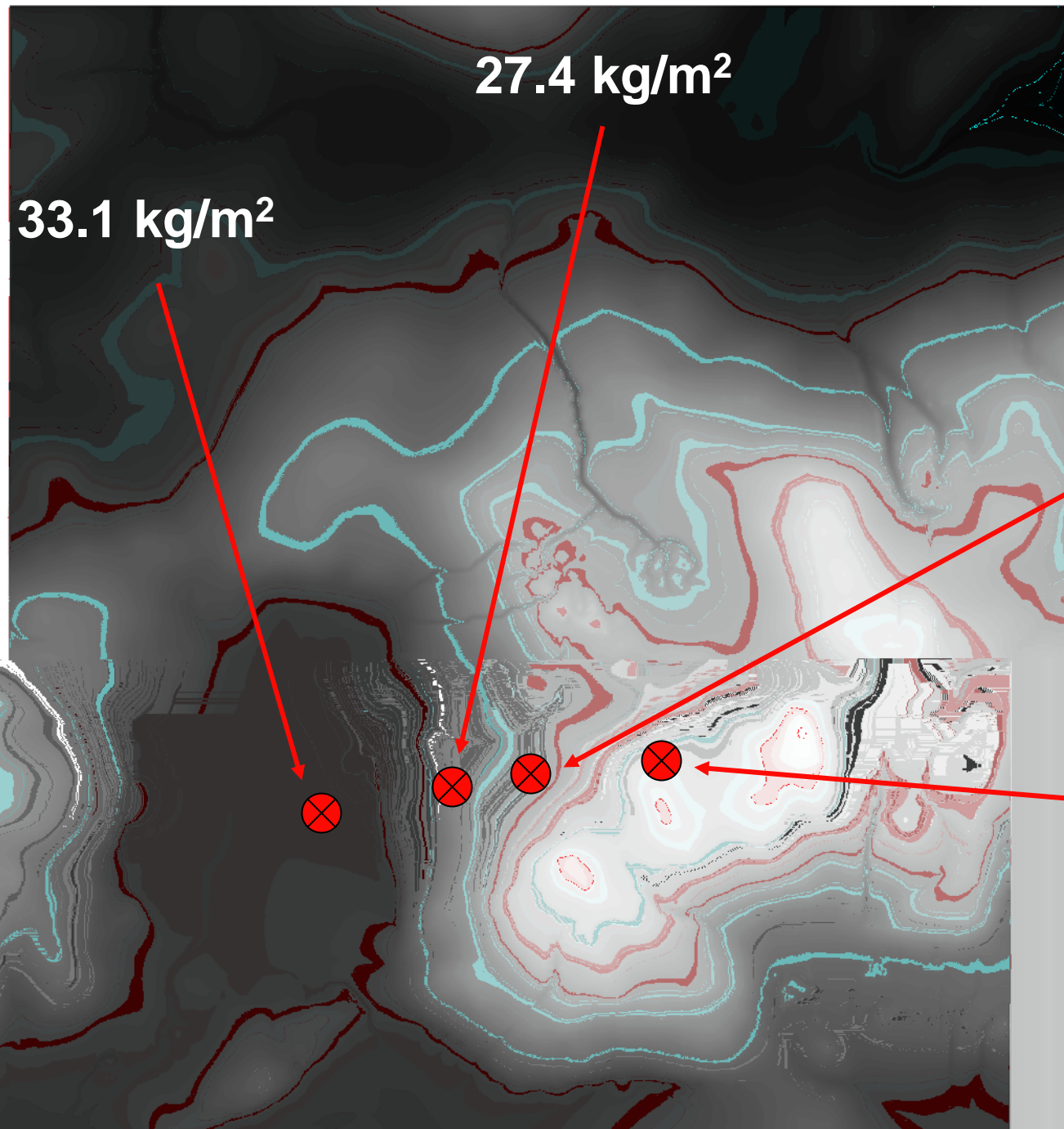
Footslope



Toeslope



Soil Organic Carbon



33.1 kg/m²

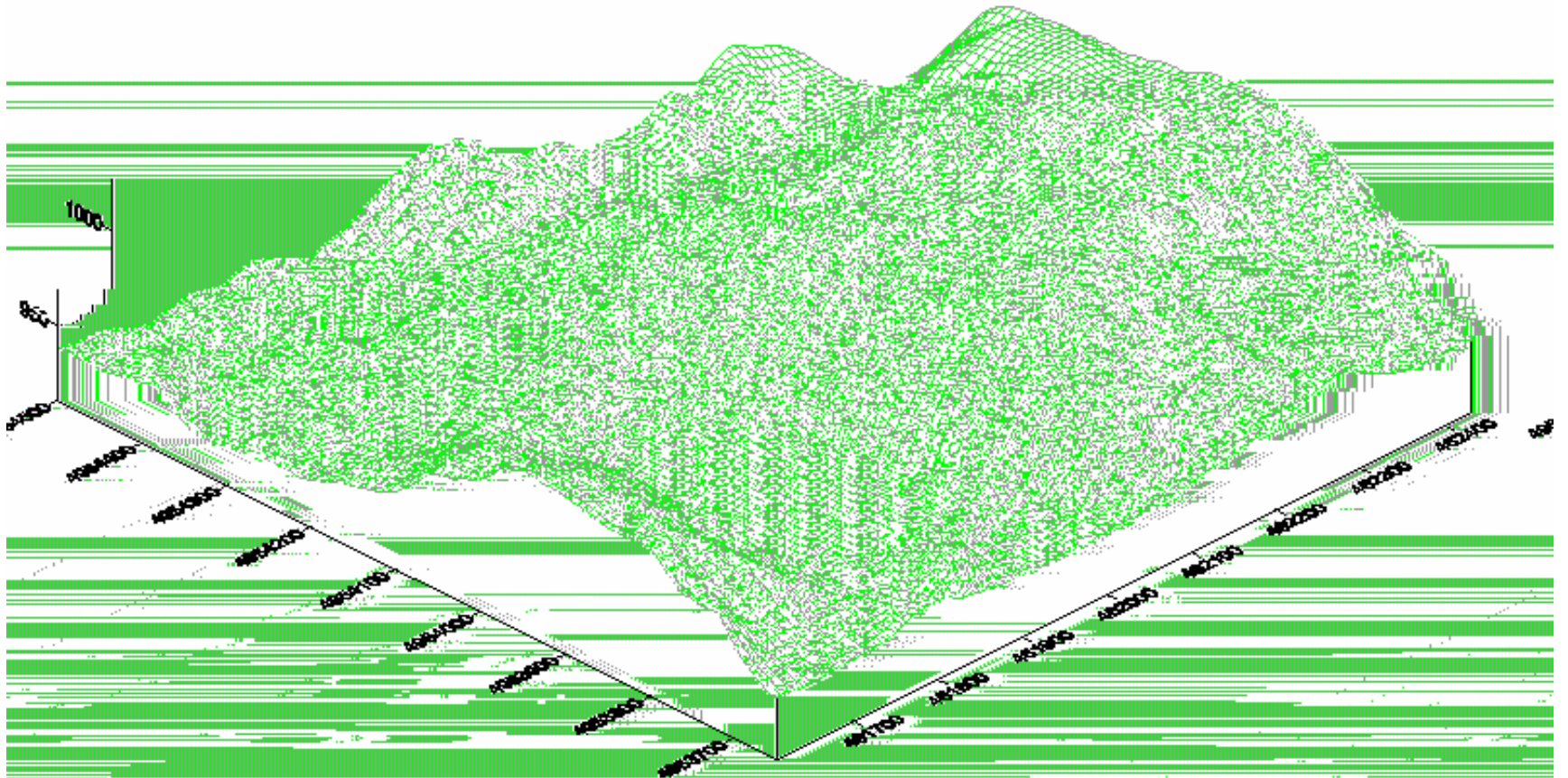
27.4 kg/m²

20.3 kg/m²

16.4 kg/m²

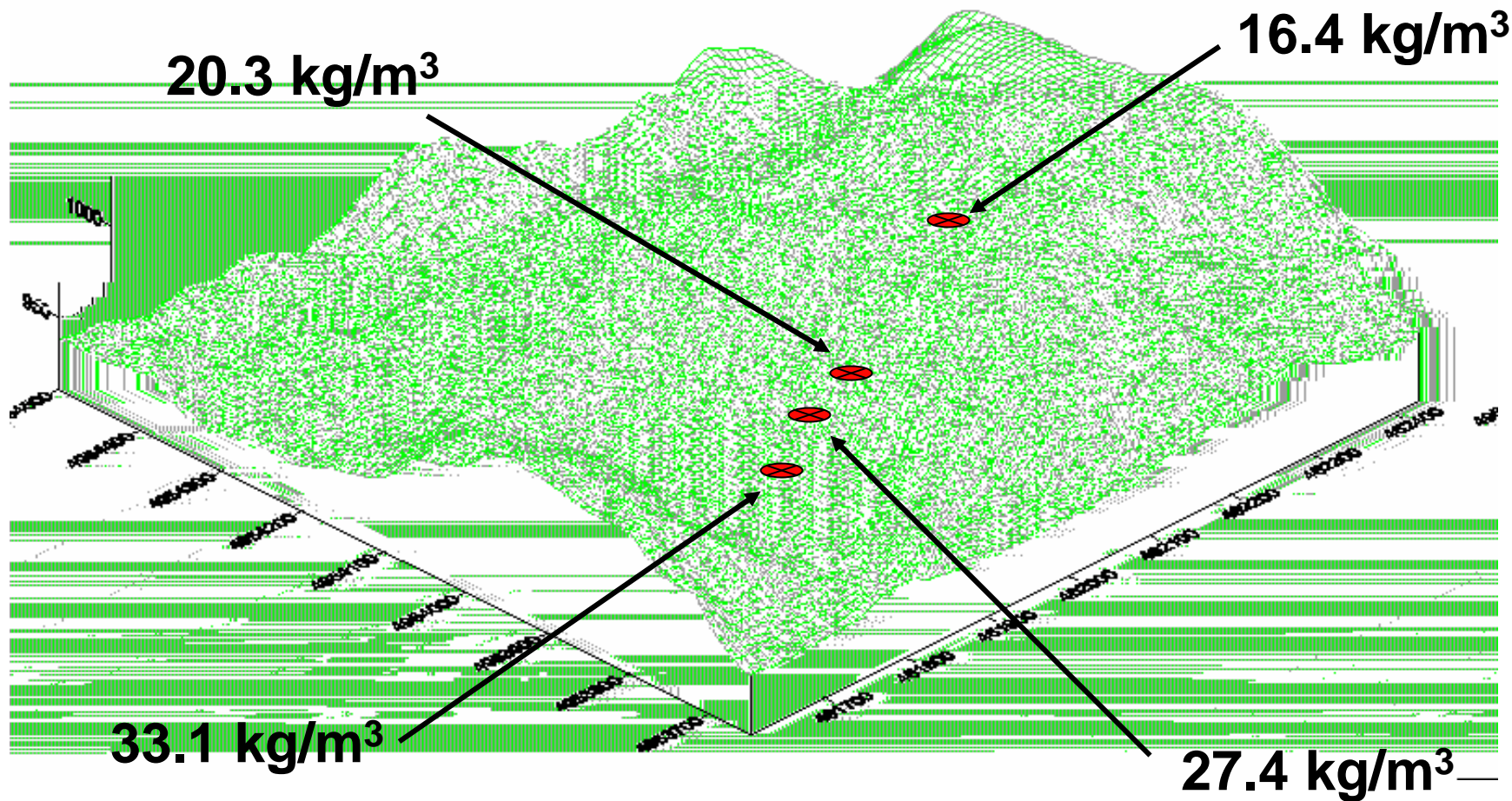
65 hectares

Topography



Soil Organic Carbon

Present



Soil Organic Carbon

$\text{Kg C} / \text{m}^2$

35

25

15

0

12,000

6000

Present

Time

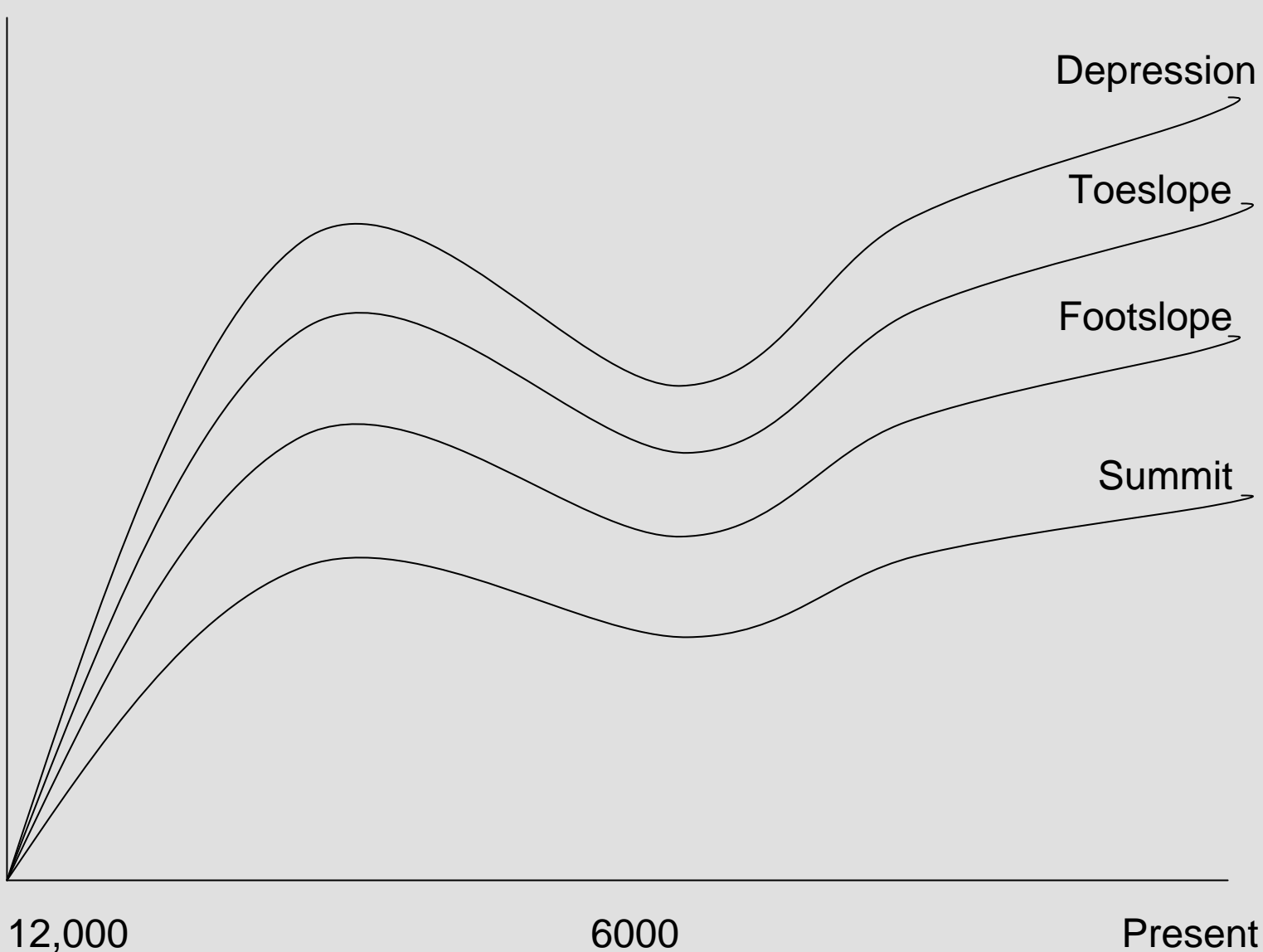
Years Before Present

Depression

Toeslope

Footslope

Summit



Spatial-Temporal Animation Soil Organic Carbon

Low

High



12,000 ybp

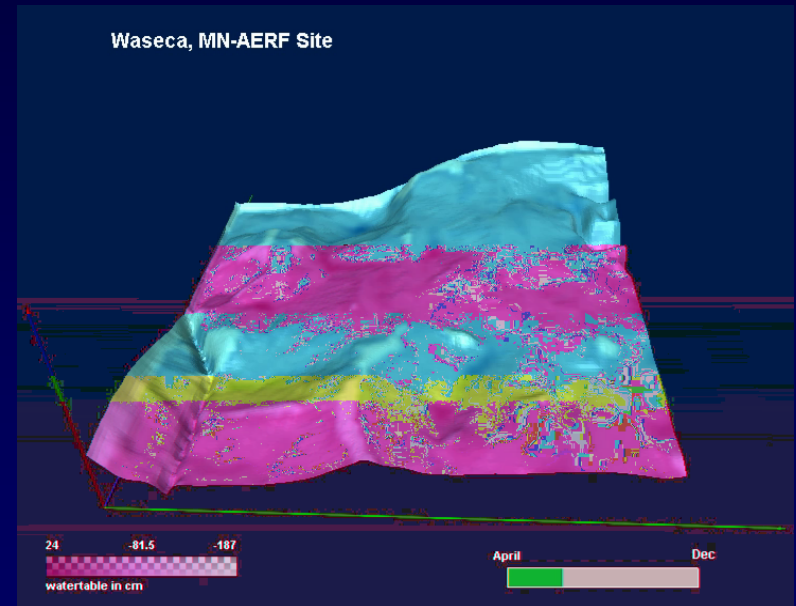
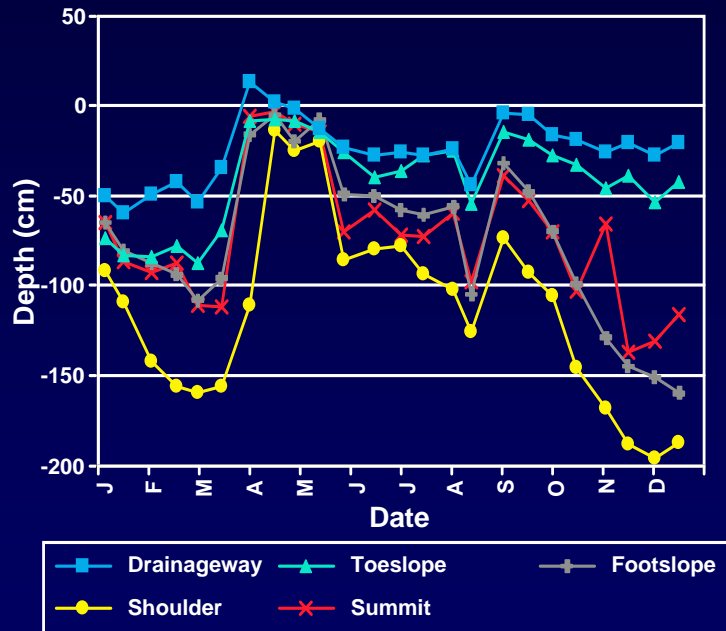
6000 ybp

Present

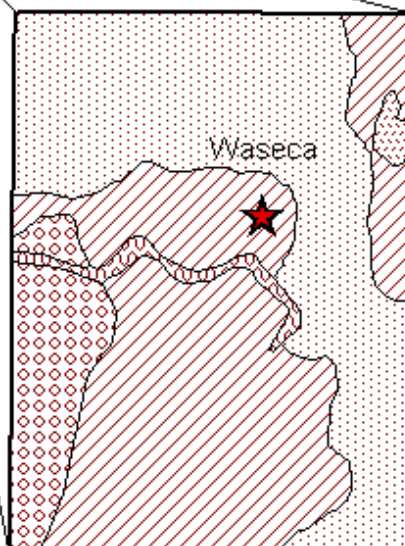
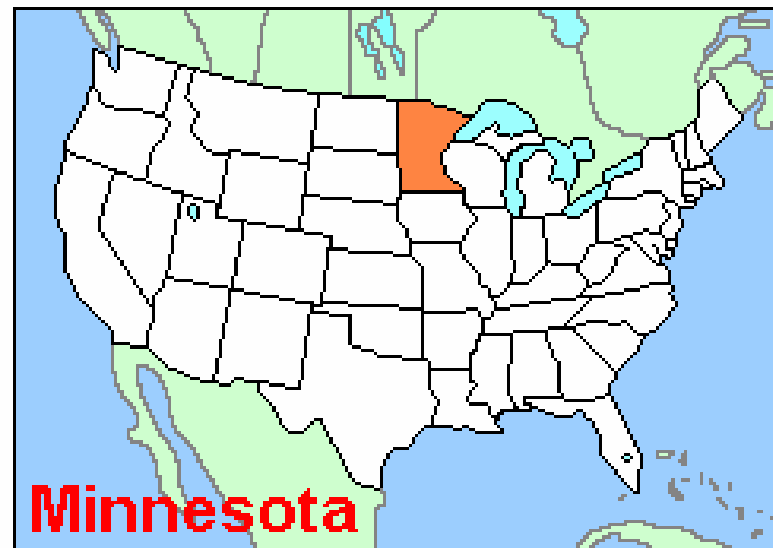







65 hectares

Annual Time Scale




Soil Hydrology



-  Ground Moraine
-  Stagnation Moraine
-  Alluvium
-  Glacial Lake Sediments
-  Peat

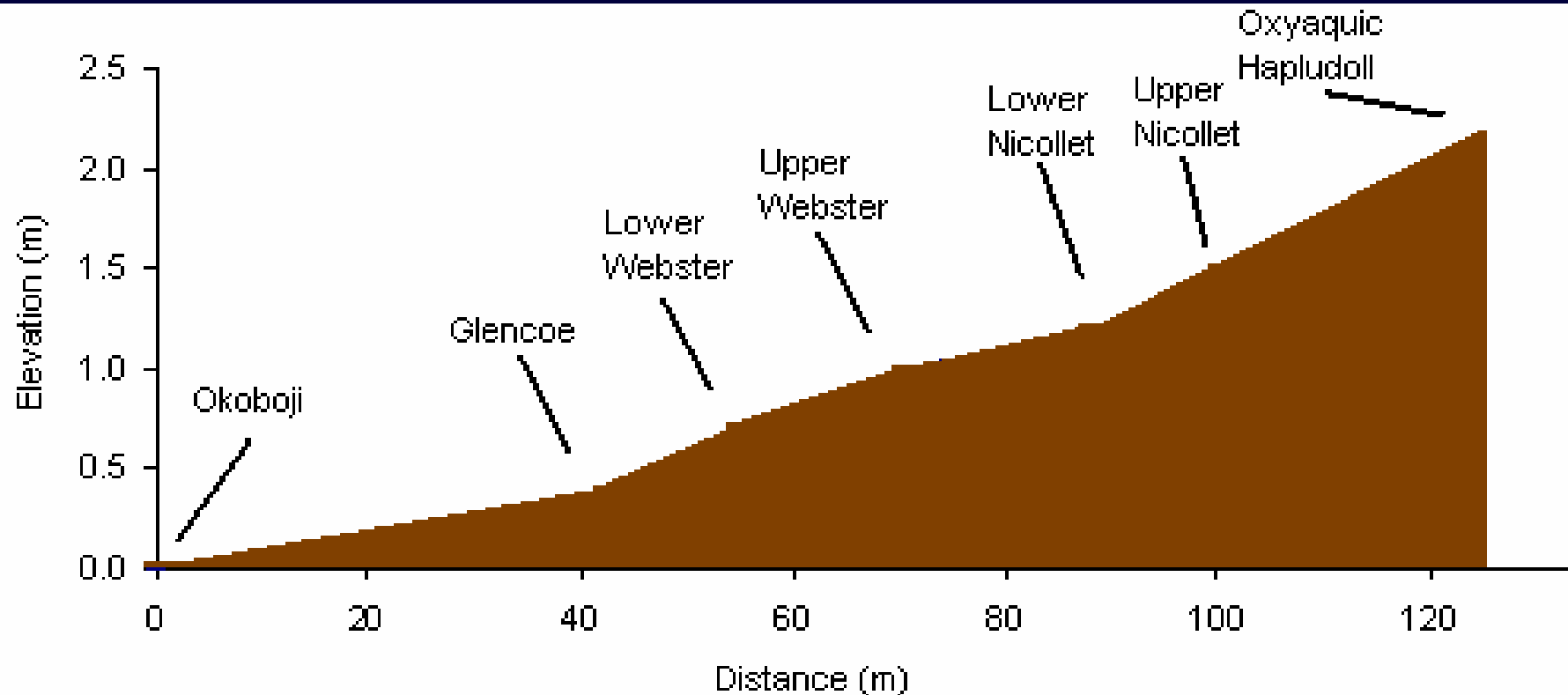
5 0 5 10 15 20 Miles



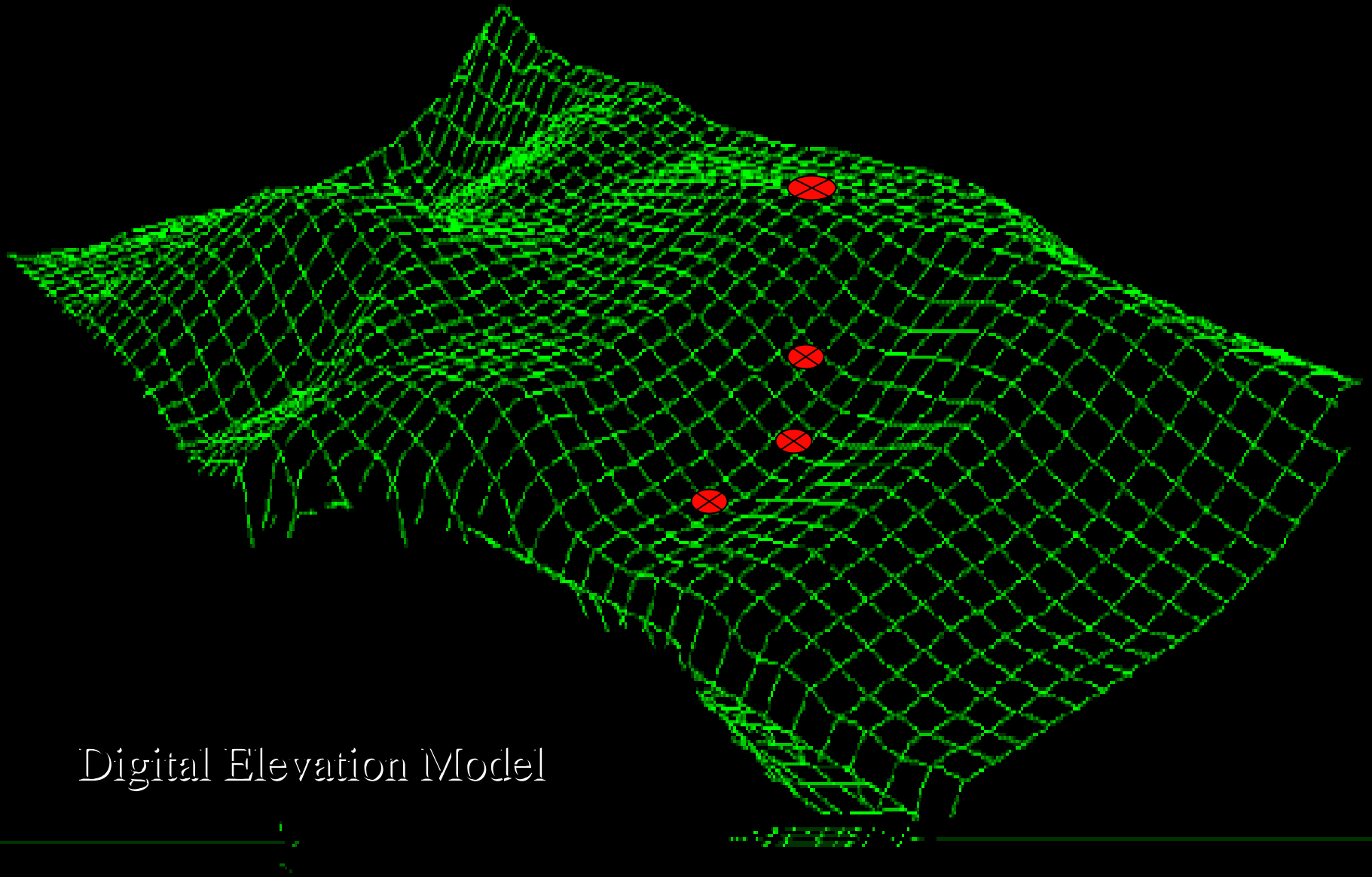
A scale bar with alternating black and white segments, corresponding to the mile markings above it.

Southern Minnesota Topography

Monitoring Transect – Waseca, MN



Waseca, Minnesota



Digital Elevation Model

Waseca, Minnesota Soil Toposequence

Summit



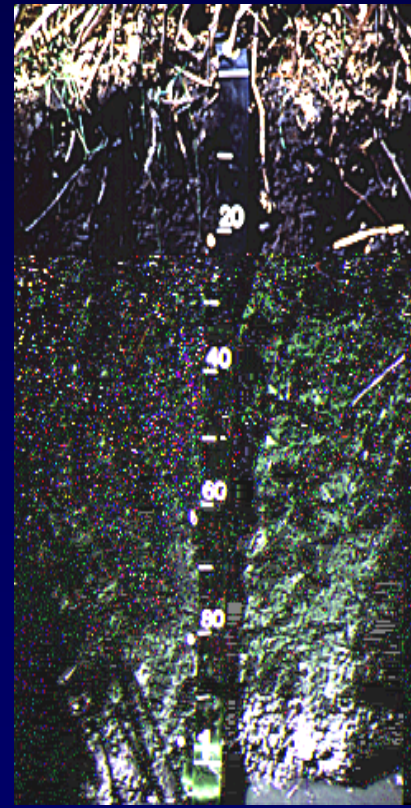
Lower
Sideslope



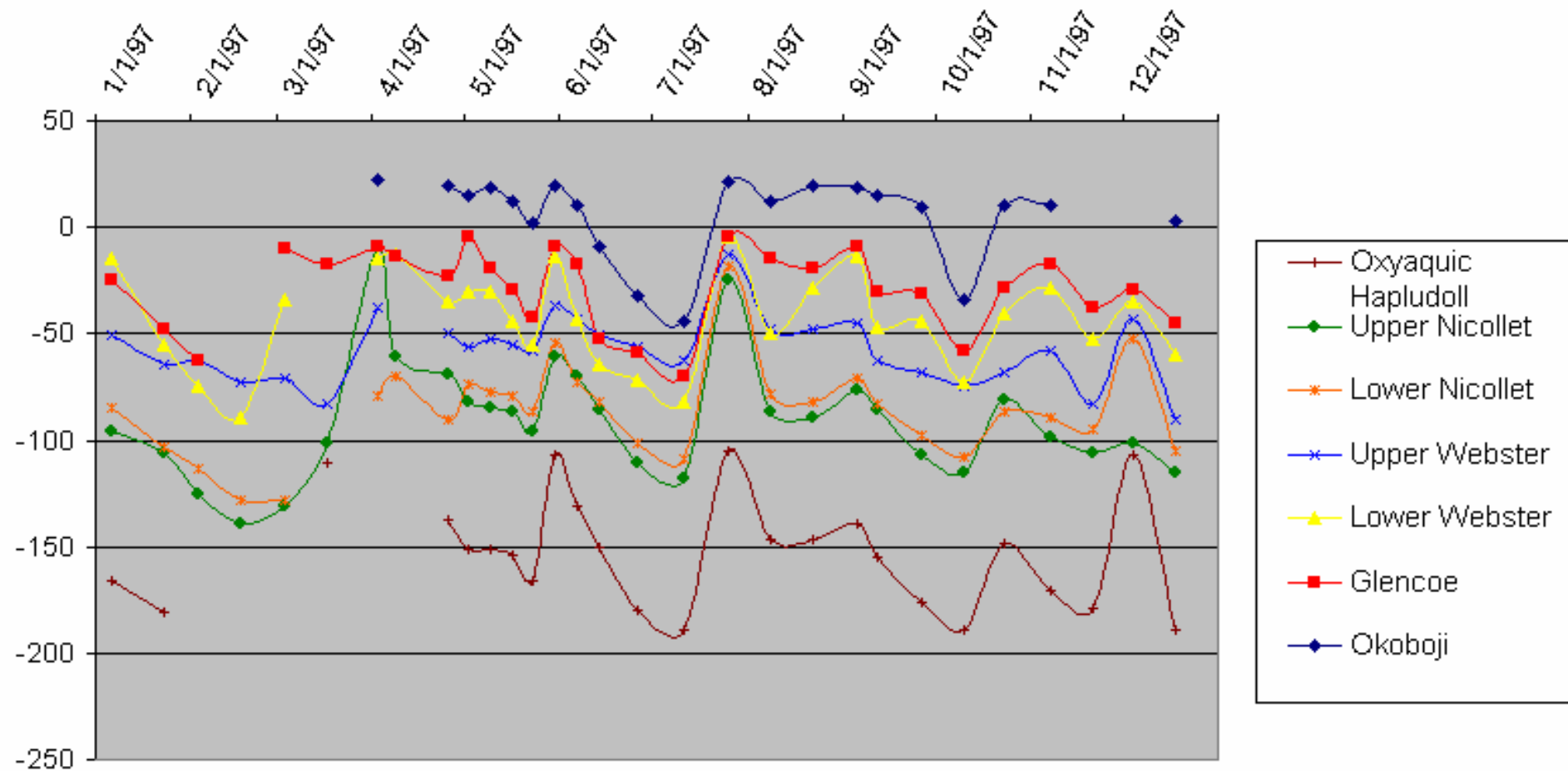
Footslope



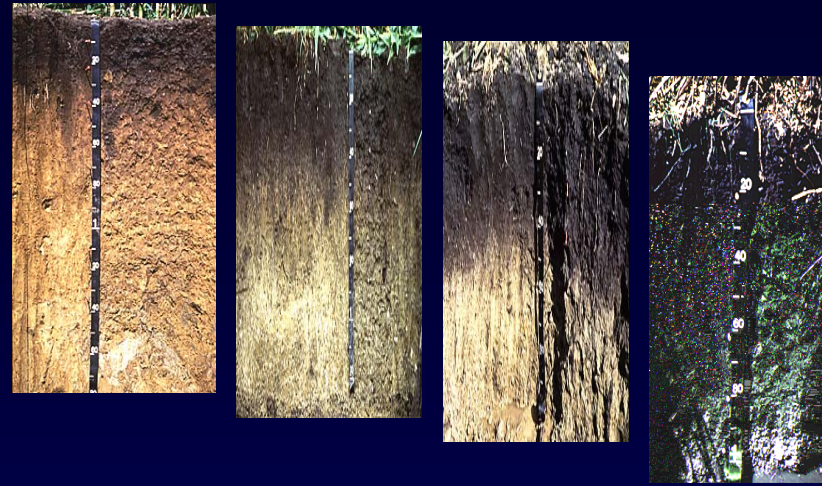
Toeslope



1997

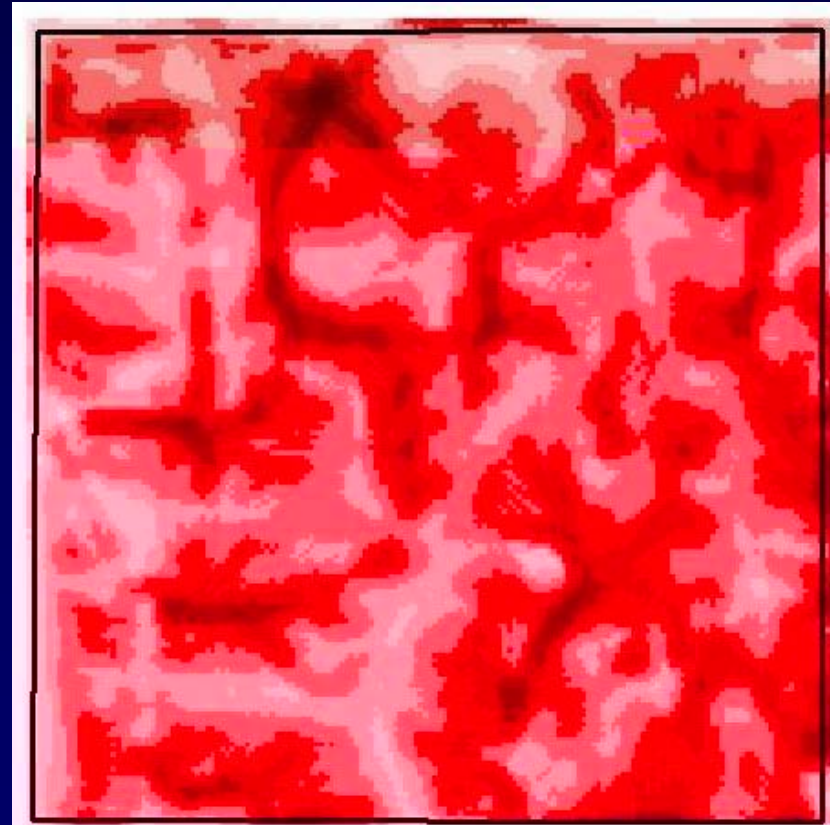


Extrapolating to the 3-D Landscape



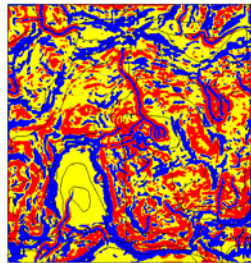
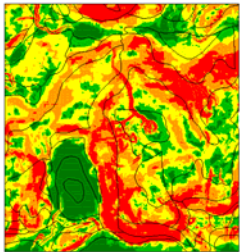
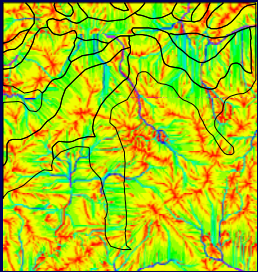
Soil-Landscape Modeling

Soil Drainage Class Prediction



Model Development

Field
Observations



Field Sampling

- Grid soil sampling: 302 points



Drainage Class Prediction

$$C_j = c_{j0} + C_{j1}X_1 + C_{j2}X_2 + \dots + C_{jp}X_p$$

C_j = Probability of Class j

X = terrain attribute

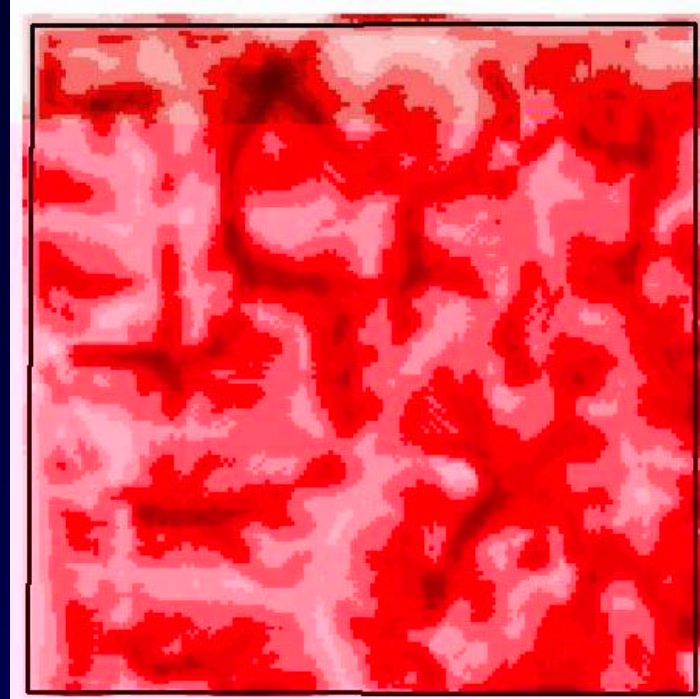
C = classification coefficient (matrix)

j = drainage class

c_{j0} = constant

Model Calibration

- Drainage class separation
 - Weakest: poorly and very poorly
 - Strongest: moderately well/somewhat poorly and very poorly

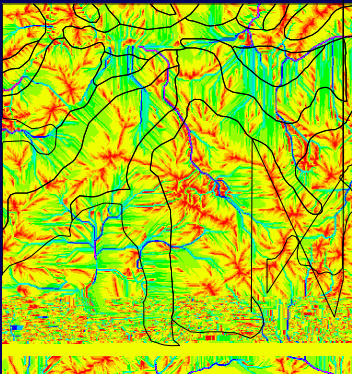
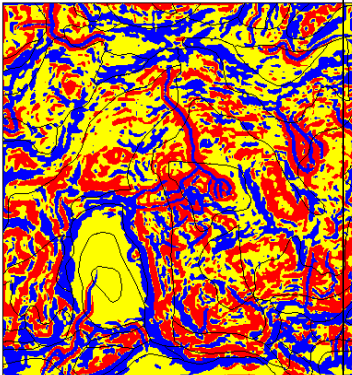
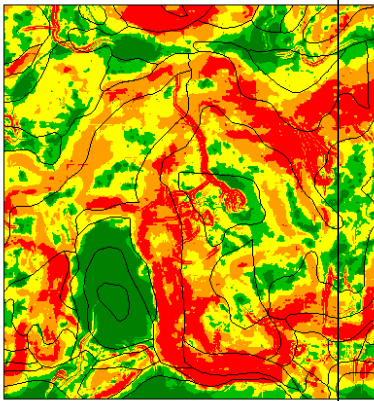


Model Validation

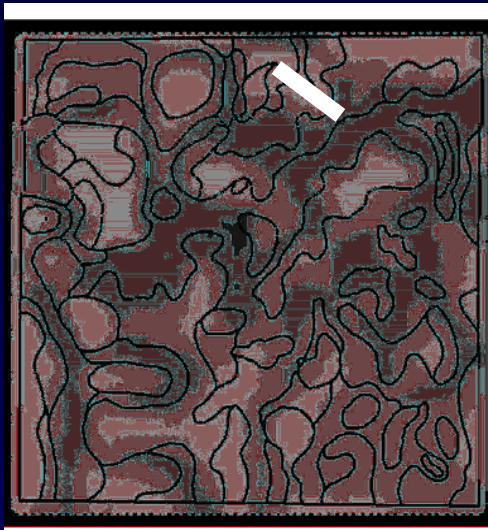
(Bootstrap Validation Approach)

- Soil-Landscape Model
 - 15-m DEM: best predictive capability
 - Classification Accuracy: 74%
 - 3% misclassified >1 drainage class away

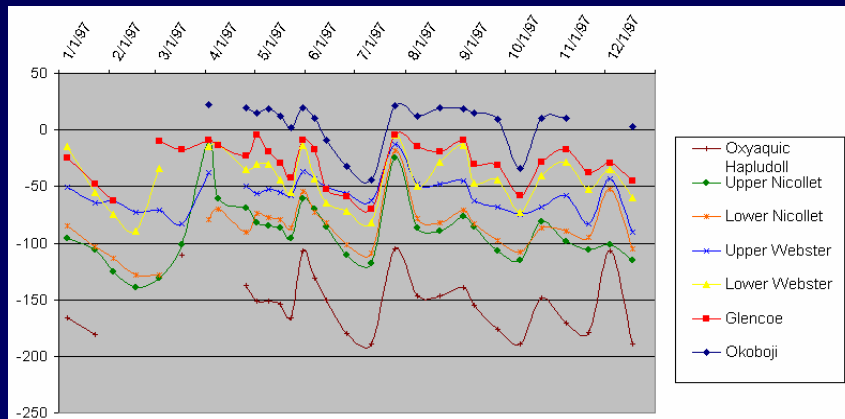
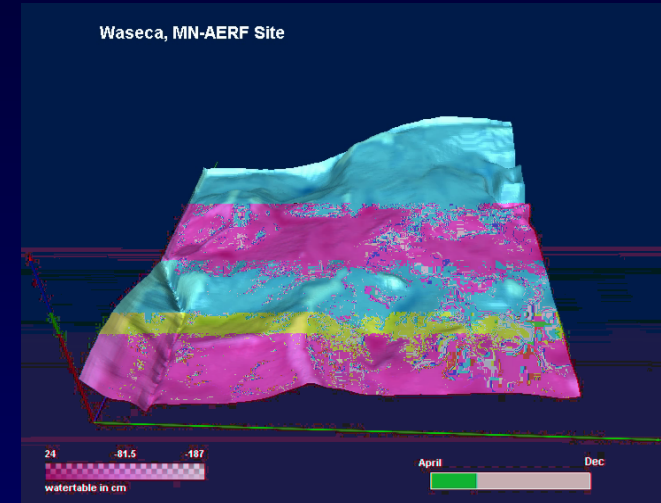
Model Application



Probability of Poorly Drained Soil For Each Monitoring Site



Interpolate

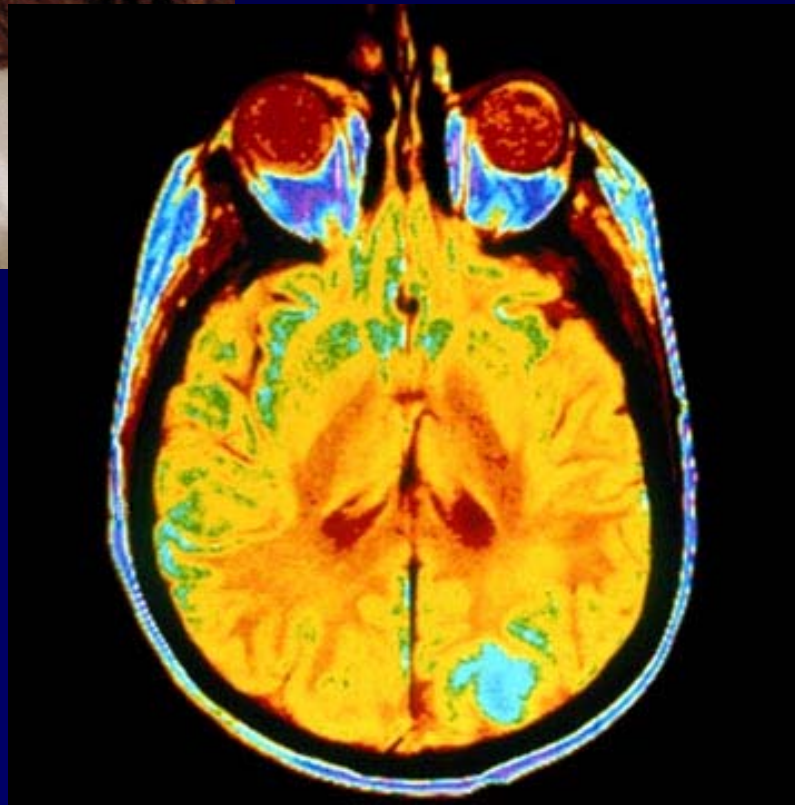




Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Analysis Software

Amira

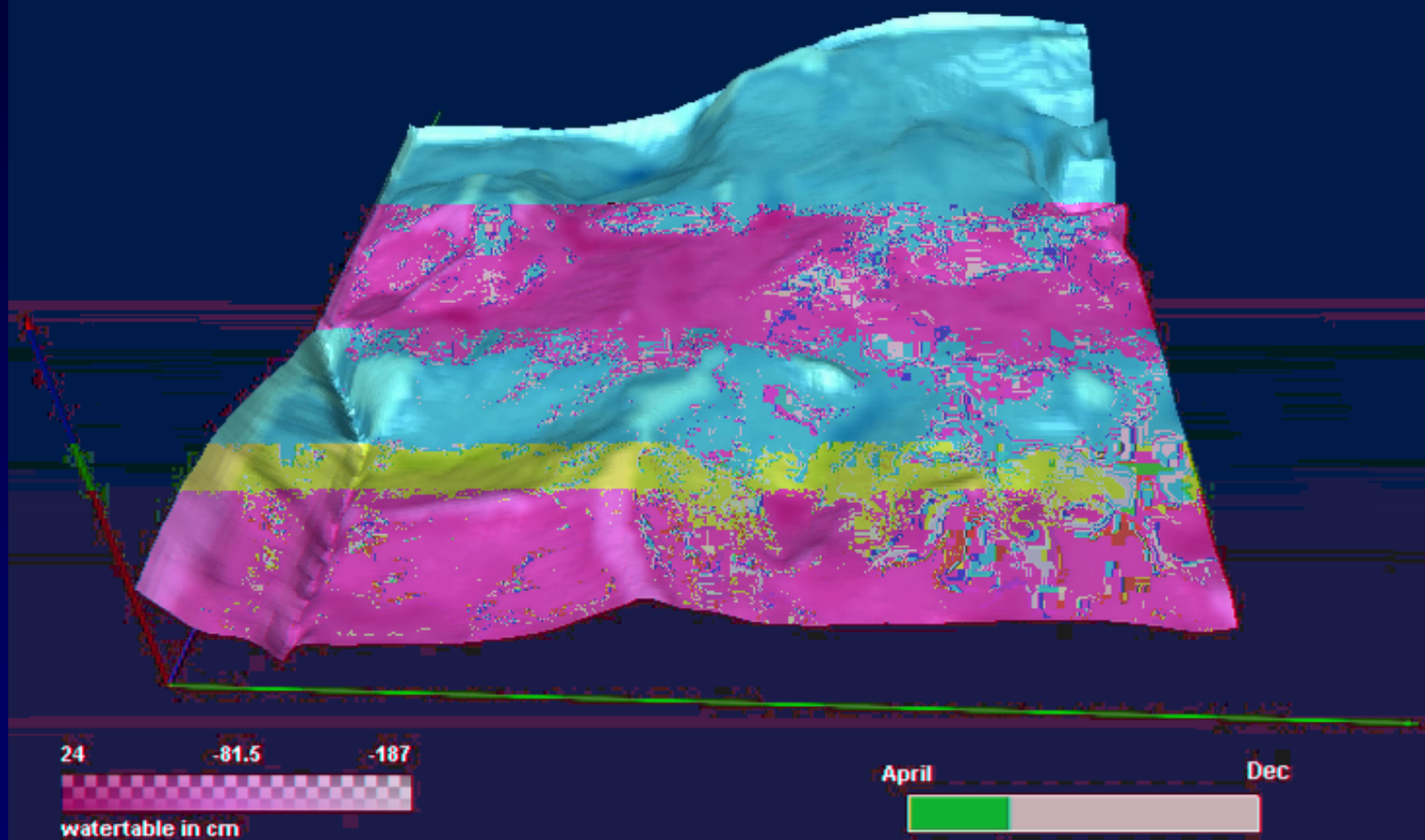
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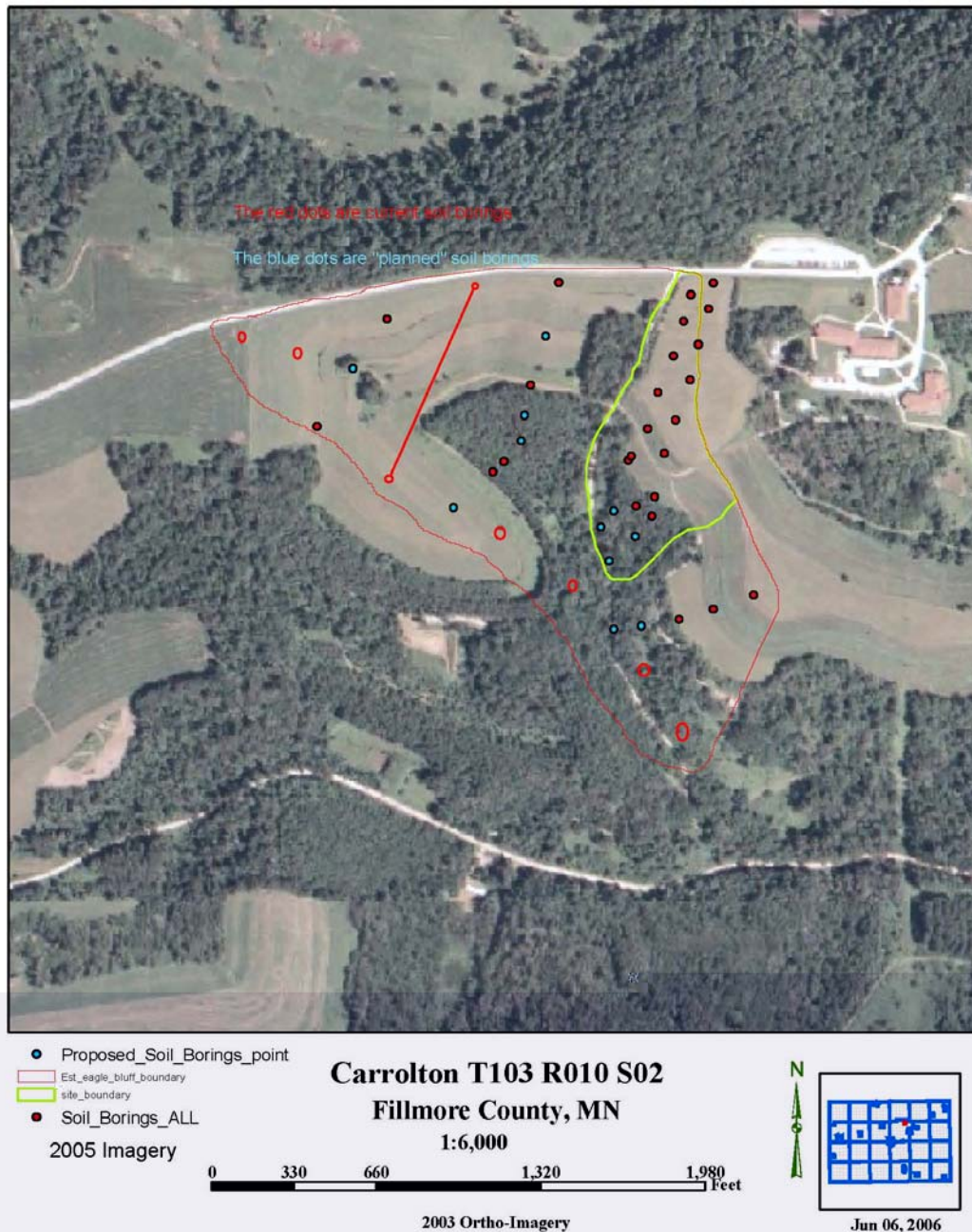
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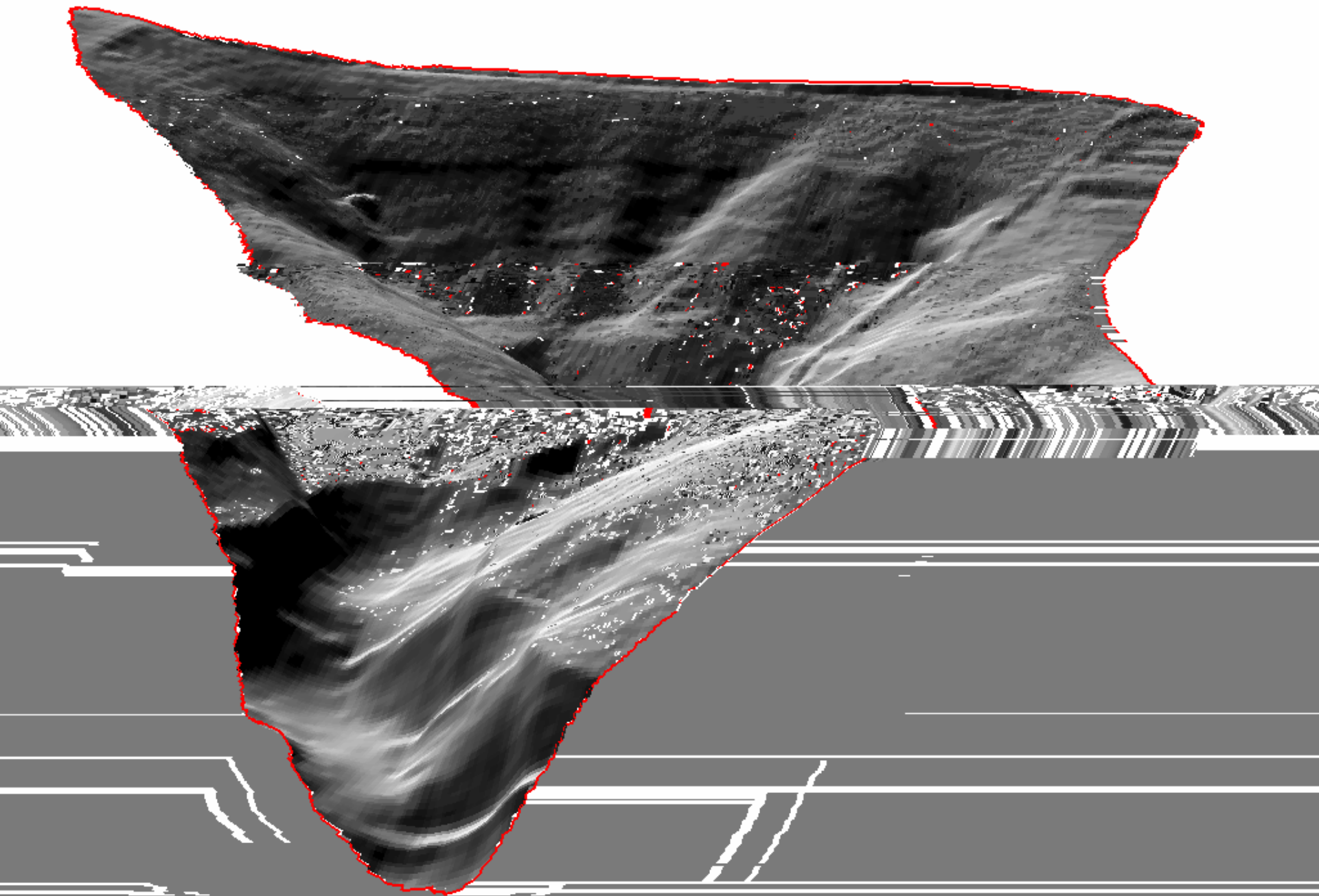
Waseca, MN-AERF Site



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Minor
Lateral
Flow

Major
Lateral
Flow



A

Bt

BC

C - loess

Depleted Loess

Old Red Till

